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## Christmas Number

### Best of All Yule Cheer

CHRISTMAS—the friendliest, jolliest season of all the year, when folk naturally suffer from that good old fashioned malady—enlargement of the heart. With sweet winds of festivity blowing as will through city and suburb, down ancestral chimneys and across snow-carpeted prairie, rich and poor alike respond to their carols. With rigid conventions relaxed under the spell of the Yuletide, merriment is provoked upon the slightest provocation. Let the bag of nuts that the bachelor is carrying break its bonds, and litter the floor of the street car, spontaneous laughter ripples through the jolly and strangers are chatting together with the intimacy of neighbors.

Touched by the breath of geniality, sympathetic chords are loosened and a hundred eyes dim with tears as pedestrians witness the tragedy of a curly-headed, blue-eyed baby doll slip from its wrappings and crash to the pavement, with the shabbily dressed woman stopping in confusion to gather up the fragments. Blind beggars, with their ears tuned to the sweetest melody in all the world—the dropping of nickels and dimes into their cups—flinch throughout the Christmas season to a sympathy of silver coins. Apartment house dwellers, with a world all its own abiding under one roof, are friendly at a glimpse of the lime-lighting tree across the corridor. At the Yuletide there is no need of an introduction and you find yourself exchanging hearty greetings with the fellow you've bumped into daily in the restaurant, but with whom you haven't the slightest personal acquaintance.

In the cities, where strangers and loneliness are taken for granted, it is during the Yuletide that the friendly hand-clasp is accepted as the best gift of the season. The little stranger from upcountry, who couldn't make the home journey in a week-end, will never forget the kindness of the employer who invites her to share the merrymaking in his own home. Men, actively but will never forget the role of the church and entrusted also to come and help them eat up the turkey on Christmas Day—assuring him it would be a real kindness to keep them company over Yuletide.

It was like the Christmas of long ago, the kitchen filled with spicy odors and the girl-wife from down the street making the dinner in the old folks' kitchen, setting the table with her own snowy cloth. Sister, bride, china and silver. In the evening when the old people with the young folk sat down before the crackling fire, the girl-wife's hand clasping the old woman's outstretched palm, it was vividly clear to both of them that it was the "much needed hand-clasp" that was best of that Christmas merrymaking.

### Special Sunday Service Well Attended

A large congregation of Bassano citizens attended the special Christmas program presented in Knox Presbyterian Church on Sunday last, at 7:30. The program consisted of numerous musical selections, presented by the local choir. Considerable preparation had been made for the program, and the results were very pleasing to all those present. Mrs. W. J. Redmond of Bassano led the choir in singing, as well as directing other musical selections on the program.

Mr. Richard Malt, Pastor of the local church, acted in the capacity of Chairman, and mid-way through the service delivered a short address on Christmas.

Special numbers on the program worthy of consideration included a chorus by the Junior Girls, "Caroling On," with each joining in the chorus. Solo by Mr. J. Hummel, "The Holy City," Quartet, "Nearer," By Mrs. Redmond, Miss B. Plumer, Mr. B. H. Edwards and Mr. J. Hummel. Solo, "The Gift" by Mrs. Redmond; Two part song by Margaret Plummer, Mildred MacLean, Lorna MacLean and Barbara Rennie, "A Little Town of Bethlehem;" Duet "Birth of a King" by Miss B. Plumer and Mrs. Redmond; Anthem "Night of Nights" by the choir; and the singing of four hymns by the congregation and choir.

At the close of the service, in a few brief words, the Pastor expressed thanks to the choir for their presentation of the program, and also expressed the desire for other services of this nature in the near future.

### Christmas Weather

If I were a bear,  
And a big bear too,  
I shouldn't much care  
If it froze or snowed—  
If I were a squirrel,  
Or like the walrus in  
I'd not give a rip  
If it snowed or froze.

If I could grow hair  
Like the moose on head,  
Oh, I wouldn't care  
Though it snowed or froze.  
If I like the moose,  
Were I quite warm the  
I would be quite spruce  
When it froze or snowed.

The toady



... down the Chimney comes Santa with the  
Season's Greetings from the  
**Bassano Recorder.**  
Wishing You One and All, A

## Merry Christmas



### The Toy-Store House

Give me the house where the toys are strewn  
Where the dolls are asleep in the chair,  
Where the building blocks and the toy balloon  
And the soldiers guard the stairs;  
Let me sleep in the house where the tiny cart  
With its horse rolls the floor,  
And rest come into the weary heart  
For I am at home once more.

Give me the house where the toys are seen  
The house where the children romp,  
And I'll happier be than man has been  
'Neath the glided dome of pomp.  
Let me see the litter of bright-eyed play  
Strewn over the parlor floor,  
And the joy I knew in a far-off day  
Will gladden my heart once more.

Give me the house with the toys about,  
With the battered old train and cars,  
The box of paints and the books left out  
And the ship with the broken spars;  
Let me sleep in a house at close of day  
That is littered with children's toys,  
And dwell once more in the haunts of play  
With the echo of bygone noise.

Whoever has lived in a toy-store house,  
Though feeble he be and gray,  
Will yearn, no matter how far he roams,  
For the glorious play;  
Of the little house with its littered floor  
That was his in the bygone days  
And his heart will throb as it throbbeth before  
When he sees where a baby plays.

—Selected.

### Christmas Shopping

According to figures compiled by statistical experts, gleaned from the records of the past 15 years, the average Christmas gift costs about five dollars; to be exact, four dollars and forty-five cents.

The amount arrived at is meant to cover both sexes, and therein lies a fallacy. Because, by our own observation, it would work out in this way: Given \$5.00 to be spent by one man and one woman for gifts to each other, the man would probably spend \$6, and the woman \$3.00.

Not because men are more generous, but because women are better shoppers.

### Poor Forlorn Male

Somehow, the poor, benighted male is utterly at a loss as to what to buy, or what to spend. The customary procedure for him is to wander into a store, furtively sneak around trying not to get into the way of active females, until he is cornered by someone with an instinctive love for helpless beasts and helpless men.

A few leading questions, and soon Mr. Gift-giver finds himself minus five dollars, and plus a pink satin kimono, size 36—and we can picture his blank expressions when the recipient informs him that the basic pink and that other hasn't been able to get into a size 36 in the past eight years.

We shudder to think of the number of divorces and murders that have had their foundation in just such a way. Possibly we can avoid some domestic strife by a few timely hints to both parties.

### How To Choose

Pay attention, Mr. Gift-giver! When you start reading about for a hint as to what the wife wants, she will probably suggest a set of portieres for the parlor, or maybe an aluminum kitchen set.

Don't believe her. She has her heart set on very trilly, very cheap, very flimsy, flimsy, or maybe a tiny vial of costly perfume, or jewelry. When you're buying a gift for HER, make it HER'S alone. If you want to get off the beaten path, try silk scarves or gloves for day and evening wear; handkerchiefs and vanity cases have been known to rival silk hosiery and jewel boxes for favor.

And, well-up on the lists, come indispensable pearl necklaces, silk umbrellas, handbags, writing sets, silk negligees with males to match, overnight bags and sweaters.

As for you, Mr. Gift-giver—or, Miss Gift-giver—there is practically no problem at all. Give HIM a tie; the colorist doesn't matter. If you know how to say, "Oh, I think you look very well in green" or blue or brown, as your choice may be—he will cherish your gift as though it had been a tickle to the heart prize fight.

### Christmas Day a Wonderful Day

What a wonderful day is Christmas day—a day when we forget compassion and worry, when our hearts are filled with kindness and roast turkey and plum pudding—and when we don't give a hoot if we're in debt up to the neck. There is no other day in the year that can effect such subtle transmutation.

Christmas is the day of days which declares the universal consciousness that peace on earth comes only from good will to men.

### The Legend of The Xmas Stocking

Many, many years ago there lived in Europe a very wealthy man named St. Nicholas. He lived not in a better than to help poor people but, disliked very much being thanked for his gifts. One Christmas Eve he wanted to give a purse of gold to an old man and his little daughter, and in order to escape being seen, he climbed to their roof and dropped his precious gift down the chimney. Instead of landing on the hearth however the purse fell right into a stocking which had been hung up to dry, and the next morning it was discovered there! When other people heard of the strange happening, they went hanging up their stockings, and soon all over the land it became a custom on Christmas Eve to hang up one's stocking for St. Nicholas to fill.

### Xmas Service Next Sunday 12 n.m.

Attention is brought to a change in the hour of the next service at Knox Presbyterian church, Bassano, On Dec. 31st, instead of the regular service being held at 7:30 p.m., as is customary, the service will be held at 12 o'clock noon. This service will be opened immediately following Sunday school.

Everyone in Bassano and district is requested to note this change in service, and a hearty welcome is extended to one and all to attend. The Pastor's address at this service will be "Christmas," and will be of interest to all.

# Sunshine Dance, Masonic Hall, Bassano, Wed., Dec. 28th.

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## THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

**NOTE AND COMMENT**

## DEAR DECEMBER

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**SUNDAY NIGHT PREVIEW**  
doors open at 12:05 a.m.  
"Heart of the North"

Orpheum Theatre

### H. W. HARPER RE-ELECTED MASTER BASSANO LODGE

At a meeting of Bassano Lodge No. 55, held in the local Masonic Hall on Tuesday evening of last week, Mr. H. W. Harper of Bassano was re-elected Master of the Lodge. Other officers elected for the coming year were as follows:

R. Broadfoot	S.W.
A. I. Young	J.W.
E. J. Young	Pres.
H. H. Baer	Secy.
C. H. Hopkins	Tyler

### Sentenced 9 Months On Theft Charge

Recorded back to Bassano from Winnipeg where he had been arrested, by Constable Casselman R. C. M. P., Joseph Metcalfe who gave his home as Montreal Que. was charged in local police court on Saturday last, with breaking and entering the office of the Alberta Wheat Pool at Duchess on or about Nov. 13th last and stealing a sum of money belonging to Mr. E. R. Sloan, the operator of the elevator. Due to the very efficient detective work of Const. Casselman, Metcalfe was picked up soon after he arrived in Winnipeg and admitted that he was the wanted man. He elected to be tried in magistrate's court and pleaded guilty as charged. The court explained to him that, by his action, he had made himself liable to imprisonment for the maximum term of fourteen years and Metcalfe stated that he had run away from home as a boy and had been wandering around the country, alone, since that time doing odd jobs for his living and had often gone hungry. He was sent to Lethbridge jail for nine months.

### LOCAL ORCHESTRA TO PLAY AT DANCE IN COUNTRESS

The Bassano Orchestra will play at a holiday dance to be held in the Countess Hall on Friday evening of next week, Dec. 30th. The Dance is being sponsored by the Countess Hall Committee.

At every Dance at which the local Orchestra supplies the music, they are becoming more and more popular with the fans. The orchestra is now when they play out all the latest tunes at Countess next week. You will be pleased.

### STORES OPEN THIS WEEK-END

Stores in Bassano will remain open until 9 p.m. on Thursday and Friday evenings of this week to enable Xmas shoppers to complete their last moment shopping. On Saturday night they will remain open as usual until midnight.

### Last Minute Appeal For Sunshine

The Bassano Local Sunshine Society are making a last minute appeal to citizens of the town and district for contributions in the form of clothing etc., for distribution to unfortunate Bassano on Christmas day. While several very welcome contributions have been received at the office of the secretary of the committee, it is believed that many citizens have overlooked their donation.

Only two more days remain until Christmas, and hampers must be prepared not later than Saturday. Send in your donation now, while you are thinking about it, and thus assist the committee in charge of the distribution. Mr. McLean will gladly call at your home and deliver your parcel to the town hall free of charge, if you will just give him a call.

### PREVIEW AT LOCAL THEATRE SUNDAY EVENING DEC. 24th.

A preview of Warner Bros. Production, "Heart of the North," produced in Canada in Technicolor, will be shown at the Orpheum Theatre on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th, commencing at 12:15 p.m. Doors at the Theatre will be open at 12:05 p.m.

This picture unravels a story of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and is well worth seeing. Mr. Ubertino, manager of the local theatre has been fortunate in securing this picture before it is scheduled to play at the Capitol Theatre in Calgary.

Mr. J. A. Freegard, who recently returned from a several months visit in England, is visiting in Bassano for a few days.

Miss Mayne Ramsay, who has for the past two months been visiting with her aunt, Mrs. W. J. Clifton in Clarebain, returned to her home last week; Mr. and Mrs. Clifton driving over.

Thanking you for your patronage during the past year, and wishing everybody

**A Merry Christmas**  
and  
**Prosperous New Year**  
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# Greetings from Your Merchants and Friends of Bassano and District



**Merry Christmas**  
We Appreciate the Privilege of Counting You  
Among Our Friends and Gladly  
Tender You a Wish For  
Yuletide Joys  
and Much Happiness and Prosperity  
In the New Year  
**Pierson's Service Station**



## The Orpheum Theatre

May we take this Opportunity to Thank our many Patrons  
in Bassano and to Wish One and All a

**Merry Christmas**



It is just the Same Old Greeting for This  
Season of the Year  
But There isn't Any Other That  
Could Wish You Half the Cheer

## Merry Christmas Happy New Year

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## CHRISTMAS 1938 NEW YEAR 1939

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## Compliments of the Season

May 1939 be  
A Year of Good Luck  
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## SEASON'S GREETINGS

May the Yuletide be a  
Merry One and  
1939

A Happy New Year  
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Permit Us to Express Appreciation of Our Pleasant  
Relation and to Wish You a  
Happy Christmas  
and a Prosperous New Year

**Auto Camp Service Station**  
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## Heartiest Christmas Greetings and

## Best Wishes for 1939

May Your New Year be a Prosperous One

**Currie and Milroy, Ltd.**

## SEASON'S GREETINGS

Christmas Greetings  
and Good Wishes  
for a  
Happy New Year

**A. R. Maurer**

## Best Wishes

for a Christmas  
of Good Cheer  
and a  
Happy New Year

**A. Jacobson**

## A Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year

To All My Friends and Patrons and  
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## SEASON'S GREETING

With Warmest Christmas Greetings and all  
Good Wishes for a Bright and  
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## Best Wishes

for a Christmas  
of Good Cheer  
and a  
Happy New Year

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## COMPLIMENT of the SEASON with Best Wishes for 1939

May Our Business Relations be as Pleasant  
In the Future As in The  
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## Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Wishing our Customers in Bassano a  
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

**Calgary Herald Carrier Boys**

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## A CHRISTMAS WISH

Let this express, though simply,  
A wish sincere and true,  
May all the joys of Christmas  
Be freely granted you.

**Foster's Bowling Alleys**



## SEASON'S GREETING

For the sake of glad remembrance,  
In the spirit of good cheer,  
Here's a wish for a Merry Christmas,  
A Bright and Glad New Year.

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## Church Announcements

### St. Columbus Church BASSANO, ALTA.

MASS—2nd Sunday of each month  
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3rd Sunday of the month at 9 o'clock  
Special Devotions will be announced  
at the occasion arises.

REV. JAMES MORROW - PASTOR

### Church of England BASSANO, ALTA.

Rev. J. H. Naylor

### Knox Presbyterian Church

11 a.m.—Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Morning Service.

Pastor: Mr. Richard Main.

### APPLICATION FOR LEASE OF ROAD ALLOWANCE OR SURVEYED HIGHWAY

NOTICE is hereby given that F. D.  
BULOER of Bassano has made applica-  
tion to the Minister of Public Works,  
Edmonton, for a lease of the following  
road allowances or surveyed high-  
ways, viz:

From the most southerly point in  
Township 22, Range 13, West of the  
4th Mer.; between the following sec-  
tions:

(1.) Sections 4 and 5 north for 2 miles  
(2.) Sections 3 and 4 north for 3 miles  
(3.) Sections 2 and 1 north for 4 miles

(4.) Sections 1 and 2 north for 5 miles,  
and from the most westerly point in  
said township and range between sec-  
tions 9 and 16, East to the railway  
track, approx. 11 miles.

Cattle guards to be constructed  
at the E.E. of Sec. 4; and at the N.E.  
corner of Sec. 16.

Any protest against the granting of  
the above mentioned lease must be for-  
warded to the Minister of Public  
Works, Edmonton, within thirty days  
from the date of this notice.

DATED at Bassano, Alberta, this  
21st day of December, 1938.

F. O. BULOER, Applicant.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Meldinger are  
spending a few days in the Canyon and  
Elmer Districts. They were called  
there by the death of Mr. Meldinger's  
cousin, Mr. J. Hayer.

### E.L.D. NOTES

It is planned to have audited state-  
ments of the affairs of the District  
for 1938 ready for distribution to  
water users shortly after the New  
Year, or as soon as the audits can be  
completed. These statements will  
show in detail the results of all pol-  
icies and will be available for discus-  
sion in deciding upon policies in 1939.

It may be of interest at the moment  
to many water users to know that  
collections of water rates for the three  
autumn months of September, Octo-  
ber and November of this year show  
an increase of \$7,258.20 over those  
of last year. Water rate collections  
month by month for the two years  
were as follows:

September 1938	\$47,829.84
October 1938	\$7,428.47
November 1938	\$9,276.87
September 1937	\$16,543.19
October 1937	\$9,847.71
November 1937	\$7,021.11
September 1937	\$23,487.54
October 1937	\$15,988.28

It should be noted with respect to  
this year's collections that the total  
of \$164,543.19, plus collections which  
are coming in regularly, is already  
over seventy-five percent of the total  
water rate levy for the year.

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## Gem Notes

On Sunday Dec. 19th, a number of  
Gem people attended the Hockey game  
at Pinagone between Gem and Pina-  
gone. The final score was 10-3 in  
favor of Gem.

A skating party was held on the  
occasion of Will and Nell Wallace's  
birthday on Friday 18th. After an  
evening of skating and dancing refresh-  
ments were served by the hostess.

Mr. Rae spent a pleasant week-end  
in Bassano.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Vile and child-  
ren left for Seattle Washington, last  
Wednesday, where they plan to spend  
the winter with relatives.

Mr. Clarence Walemath of Wals-  
kewin, formerly of Gem was a busi-  
ness visitor here last Thursday and  
Friday.

Several of the Gem people attended  
the Christmas Concert and dance at  
the Cliffdale School.

Mary Louise Hadden returned  
home after a two months visit, with  
relatives in Missouri.

Little Betty Jean Edwards left for  
Calgary last Thursday, to spend  
Christmas with her mother and baby  
brother.

Several of the Gem people were  
visitors to Calgary over the week-end  
those being: Jerry George, C. Arch-  
bald, Bert Keeling, Johnny Jacob-  
son and Lloyd Johnson.

Lena Johnson is visiting friends  
at Hillcrest.

Mr. and Mrs. McKay and Mr. F. D.  
Williamson motored to Calgary on  
Tuesday.

Preparations are being made for  
the Christmas Concert to be held on  
Dec. 22nd, at the Cliffdale School.

Don't forget the big dance in Gem  
Dec. 24. Mrs. Miller has donated  
a 15 pound Christmas Cake to be rat-  
ified at the dance.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Howe of Brooks  
visited Mrs. Howe's parents, Mr. and  
Mrs. T. E. Harwell, Sunday.

On Saturday evening Dec. 17th,  
about fifty young people of Gem  
colony were entertained at the home  
of Mrs. F. D. Williamson, Mrs. Mc-  
Kay being the hostess.

The young people gathered at eight thirty;  
dancing commenced at nine o'clock. The  
evening entertainment consisted of  
dancing, cards and singing. Junior  
March sang two cowboy songs. A  
splendid lunch was served at mid-  
night.

Merry Christmas to all!

A full report including the pro-  
gram of the Xmas Concert, held  
in Knox Presbyterian Church last  
night, will be published in next  
week's issue.

## Countess

Don't forget the dance at Countess  
on Dec. 26th.

Mr. and Mrs. Gamble have motored  
to Great Falls, Montana, to spend a  
few days with their daughters Donna  
and Jeanne.

Mr. R. F. Ferguson motored to Cal-  
gary the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Cadot and daugh-  
ter were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs.  
Cadot on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jordan and family  
were dinner guests at the Swanson  
home on Sunday.

Mrs. Chas. Waller gave a birthday  
party for Arma and Ronnie on Satur-  
day. Mrs. McInnes, Mrs. Cadot and  
Mrs. Burrows as well as the Countess  
school children were invited. They  
all report a very enjoyable time.

## BEARCATS DEFEATED IN FIRST GAME OF THE SEASON

The Bassano Bearcats opened their  
season on Glenchee ice on Monday  
night, and suffered a 9-1 defeat at the  
hands of the fast stepping Glenchee  
Gunners.

The one-sided score however is no  
indication of the game as the local  
lads were hitting all the way and  
only the lack of condition and prac-

lice proved their downfall.

The first period opened with both  
clubs making fast and furious play  
was about equally divided till about  
the 12 minute mark when the local  
lads seemed to tire. At this stage  
of the game Norton took a pass from  
C. Brown and slipped it passed Hog-  
schie on what appeared to be a sort of  
a fluke goal. Goals by C. Brown,  
from R. Brown and H. Brown from C.  
Brown and Murry followed in quick  
succession. In the flying minutes  
Pete Brown scored a home puck and  
gave Hogchie no chance to save. The  
local lads seem-ly very tired at the  
close of this period.

In the second period the Bearcats  
put on the pressure and only the stel-  
lar goal minding by Roberts saved the  
Gunners from being swamped. On a  
break from a power play C. Brown  
took a pass from Norton at the 2 min-  
ute mark to register another Glenchee  
tally.

Passing the full length of the ice  
on a nice passing play, Cadot laid  
a pass over to Bassano who flopped  
the puck over Roberts for the first  
Bearcats goal.

The third period was a repetition  
of the first and second. The locals  
putting up a good game till about the  
12 minute mark. They then seemed  
to tire and were unable to back check  
the Gunners who had little trouble in  
scoring four more goals to give the  
Gunners a 9-1 lead which they main-  
tained.

The locals did remarkably well  
when it is taken into consideration  
that the Gunners have been practising  
for the past two weeks on a good sheet  
of ice and had already had a game,  
losing 3-2. Whereas the locals have  
not yet got a sheet of ice and had  
only one work-out.

Bassano has without a doubt the  
best material they have had for many  
years and with practice and a few  
games will be and are something for  
our town to be proud of.

Glenchee had a gate of 109 adults  
and many children bringing the total  
receipts to \$42.00.

How about Bassano showing their team a little  
of this support and sportsmanship in the  
coming season. Our boys deserve  
every bit of it.

Line ups—Glenchee: —  
J. Roberts, Manard, T. Brown, Be-  
agle, C. Brown, P. Brown, Norton,  
Brown, Don Jervis, Wolfson, Leacock,  
Smith, Riddle, Murry.

Bassano: —  
Bogchie, R. Arlison, R. Marquard,  
C. Douglas, A. Cadot, A. Arlison,  
Smith, Bassano, Appleton, Melbourne,  
Bacon, Broadfoot.

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### Rosemary

Mr. F. Palmer returned Friday from Barrow, where he has visited the past week. Calgary visitors this week were: Mrs. Franka, Mrs. Jesse Adams, Mrs. J. McCall, Mrs. R. Anderson, Mr. O. H. H. Grey was a Rosemary visitor on Saturday.

The Rosemary Social Society sponsored a play, "That Rascal Pat" Friday night. After the program which followed the play, a dance a box social was held. Everyone had a good time. Mr. Lanes Palmer and Mr. Lyle Parker returned Saturday afternoon from MacLeod where they spent a few days.

The Rosemary Redwings led the Duchess hockey team 2-1 Sunday in a hard fought game. Rosemary scores were made by Ralph Arison from Peary Blinn. Second goal by R. Arison from H. Kerr.

Calling Vance Capron — What's the deep dark secret about your recent visit to Calgary, Vance? Have the rumours circulating throughout our little Community any bearing or connection with you. We hear bells ring in Central United Church while you were in the city. How about it?

Mr. George Scott, who has been attending University in Toronto, returned to Bassano on Monday to spend the holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. O. Scott.

Graham Cathro, who is attending school in Hanna, returned the first of the week to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Cathro.

Midnight Mass will be observed in St. Columba R. C. Church on Christmas Eve, Saturday, Dec. 24th. Rev. Father Morrow will officiate.

### Xmas Message

"Glory be to God in the highest and peace on Earth to men and good will."

This was a message brought to earth by the Angels singing over Bethlehem on the first Christmas night and announcing to the awe-struck shepherds the birth of the Saviour. Peace was the dream of a warm searaged world, the great desire of the nations afflicted for centuries by the sword of tyrants and conquerors. Peace on earth has ever since been the dream and desire of men. Christ was the Prince of Peace. His Herald Angels sang of Peace—Peace to men of good will. His coming predated an era of Peace. But Peace was promised only to men of good will. So men must first desire and long for Peace and show good will to one another before they know the Peace of Christ.

The same is true of nations. Nations must long for, pray for, work for Peace before war will be abolished. Where good will, charity and brotherly love are lacking, Peace can not prevail. From want of good will and brotherly love spring the passions which destroy Peace and nourish war. Men and nations must be rooted in the spirit of Christ, the spirit of unselfishness, charity, justice, kindness, forbearance and forgiveness of injuries—before they may know the blessing of Peace. Selfishness, jealousy, greed and the injustice of man to man, and hatred to nation or the will springs of misunderstanding, hatred, war and bloodshed. If the world would have Peace it must learn of Christ's meekness, humbleness of heart, charity and brotherly love. It must return to the spirit of Christmas and go in humanity to the feet of the Babe of Bethlehem.

Men have rejected or forgotten Christ and His teachings. Therefore the world has recently drenched in blood. It is plagued with new wars and rumours of wars. International jealousy and greed and avarice of men are the fruitful seeds of conflict. The world must return to God before it shall taste and fully enjoy the blessings of the divine message of Christmas. Only in proportion as men and governments show to one another good will, charity and justice shall they know the joy of peace, and reap the harvest of Christ's coming to earth.

It is my earnest wish and my sincere prayer that Christ, the Son of God, may bring to each and every one the fullness of that joy and Peace which He brought to earth on the day of His birth in the stable of Bethlehem.

Rev. James E. Morrow

### Interesting Items

You are invited to contribute to this column. Phone your news items to Mr. The Recorder Office.

#### MERRY CHRISTMAS

Fred Thompson, was a week-end visitor at his home in Bassano.

Mrs. M. S. Hutchison returned Monday evening from a short vacation spent in Virdie.

Mr. J. L. Lee, who has been visiting in Bassano for some time, left Wednesday for the States.

Miss A. Grombier left last Thursday evening for Minnesota, where she will visit for a couple of months.

A number from the Registrar District attended the dance sponsored in the I. O. O. F. Hall by the local hockey club last Friday.

Miss Margaret Decker left Friday evening for Wayne, Alta. where she will remain in the hospital for the next few months.

Miss Clara Neill, who underwent an operation in the local hospital last week, returned to her home in Brooks on Monday.

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